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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2068

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ETRN CO

SUBJECT: PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE

REF: A STATE 42405 B. BOGOTA 2262

1. A. FOLLOWING ARE FURTHER COLPUERTOS STATISTICS
RELATING TO PORT CONGESTION AT BARRANQUILLA FOR LATE
MARCH AND EARLY APRIL.

VESSELS

AT BARRANQUILLA 3/20 3/21 3/22 3/25 3/26

LOADING/UNLOADING 7 5 6 4 5

FINISHING LOADING

SAME DAY 3 2 4 1 2

WAITING FOR WHARF

SPACE 0 5 2 2 1

EXPECTED SAME DAY 5 1 0 1 3

EXPECTED NEXT DAY 1 0 3 2 1

UNOCCUPIED PIERS 0 0 0 0 0

VESSELS AT

BARRANQUILLA 3 27 3/28 3/29 4/1 4/2

LOADING/UNLOADING 4 5 6 5 4

FINISHING LOADING

SAME DAY 2 1 2 3 0

WAITING FOR

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WHARF SPACE 1 0 1 1 2

EXPECTED SAME DAY	3	3	3	3	2
EXPECTED NEXT DAY	1	2	2	2	0
UNOCCUPIED PIERS	0	0	0	0	0

B. METHOD OF PUBLISHING STATISTICS AND VAGUE
TERMINOLOGY INDICATE THAT PURPOSE OF STATISTICS IS TO
ASSUAGE PUBLIC OUTCRY. INSPECTION OF STATISTICS,
EVEN ALLOWING FOR EVISION AND UPDATING, INDICATES
THAT THERE ARE UNACCOUNTED FOR DISCRIPANCIES IN PIERS IN
USE, ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

2. SINCE REFTTEL B, PORT HAS INSTITUTED NEW ACCOUNTING
SYSTEM AIMED AT FACILITIATING ENTRY AND WITHDRAWAL OF
FREIGHT FROM PORT WAREHOUSES. SYSTEM USES CREDIT
CARDS AND CURRENT ACCOUNTS IN PLACE OF CASH PAYMENT
FOR EACH TRANSACTION.

3. MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS ANNOUNCED THAT TWO NEW
WHARFS WILL BE BUILT IN BARRANQUILLA AND PUT IN
SERVICE BY DECEMBER. COMBINED WITH THE ACQUISITION
OF NEW CRANES, FORK-LIFTS, ELEVATORS, ETC., THIS
SHOULD SOLVE THE PORT CONGESTION PROBLEM IN LESS
THAN SIX MONTHS. IN ADDITION, EFFORTS WILL BE MADE
TO ALTER THE STEVEDORE CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FOR TWO
TWELVE HOUR SHIFTS IN PLACE OF CURRENT EIGHT HOUR
SHIFT.
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